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Sir:

Applicant respectfully submits concurrently with the above-identified divisional application prior art as cited on the attached PTO Form-1449 for consideration by the Examiner. These references are of record in the parent application, Serial No. 09/886,475, filed June 22, 2001, now allowed. Copies of the references are not provided herewith.

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Consideration of the foregoing, plus the return of a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 are earnestly solicited along with an early action on the merits.

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